Dear Parents/ Guardians,

My name is Jessica Mandell and I am currently a graduate student in the Childhood Education program at the City University of New York at Brooklyn College. I am conducting an action research study to see if children’s academic achievement in literacy will benefit by using music practices as a common thread. I am requesting your permission to have your child participate in this research study. All of the lessons will be administered during your child’s scheduled classroom instruction for this subject, and all standards and lesson objectives will be addressed and accomplished.

All results of this research project will be reported as a group study, which means that all students’ names and all corresponding data will remain completely anonymous. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me via email at [Jmandell](mailto:Jmandell2@schools.nyc.gov)@gmail.com or by phone at 718-444-6969.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Jessica Mandell

**Please return the form below by Friday, December 2, 2016**

**Action Research Response Form**

Student’s Name: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Yes, I give my child permission to take part in the action research study.

 No, I do not want my child to take part in the action research study.

Parents Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Dear Principal,

As you know I am currently a graduate student in the Childhood Education program at the City University of New York at Brooklyn College. I am conducting an action research study to see if children’s academic achievement in literacy will benefit by using music practices as a common thread.

This research will require that I select and monitor Kindergarten students, as well as acquiring parental permission to help gather data. I am requesting to use my class of fifteen Kindergarten students, in which I will incorporate literacy and music instruction, for twenty minutes, two times a week, over the course of six weeks. All of the lessons will be administered during the scheduled classroom instruction for this subject, and all standards and lesson objectives will be addressed and accomplished.

All results of this research project will be reported as a group study, which means that all students’ names and all corresponding data will remain completely anonymous. I would be happy to share the results of all corresponding data with you. If you have any other questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me via email at [Jmandell@gmail.com](mailto:Jmandell@gmail.com) or by phone at 718-444-6969.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Jessica Mandell